

Prince William Church
Sheldon
Beaufort County
South Carolina

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Historical Data:

The name of Prince William's Parish was a loyal compliment to the Royal Duke of Cumberland. The present name came from the nearby plantation of the Bulls of South Carolina, descendants of the Bulls of Sheldon Hall and Parish in Warwickshire; a family who came on the ship Carolina which landed at the first Charles-Town, and served Church and State in the Low Country.

In 1745, the land had become thickly settled in plantations, so a separate parish was set up and a most impressive church was built; it was destroyed by the British Army in 1779. In 1865, Sherman's army destroyed it again.

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